

INTERVIEW SUMMARY BY APPLICANT

At the outset, the Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the courtesy shown by the Examiner during the most recent telephone interview. During that interview, the arguments for patentability submitted in the previously filed Response were discussed.

Regarding the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, the Examiner argued that the originally filed specification did not *necessarily* teach automatic detection, since in his view, it was at least conceivable that the system taught in the specification and shown in Fig. 1 could operate by manual detection. However, he indicated that at least part of the detection could be automatic, as taught on page 10 of the originally filed specification, and suggested that the claims be amended accordingly.

Regarding the rejections over the prior art, Examiner did not commit either way on whether he agreed with the Applicant's arguments, but instead suggested amending the claims as discussed above.

REMARKS

The Advisory Action mailed April 14, 2006, has been carefully considered. In response thereto, the application has been amended in a manner which is believed to place it into condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding Final Rejection and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully solicited.

The Applicant respectfully submits that the present Amendment overcomes the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The present claimed invention is plainly disclosed, e.g., on page 10 of the originally filed specification and in Fig. 4.

The Applicant further submits that the rejections over the prior art have been overcome. The technique for detecting the stationary vehicle recited in the present claims is not taught or even vaguely suggested by the applied prior art. The vehicle detector of *Smith et al* detects a moving vehicle, which is the point of the use of such a detector in that reference. The detection of a stationary vehicle would not only constitute hindsight reconstruction of the invention, but would also defeat one of the purposes of the reference.

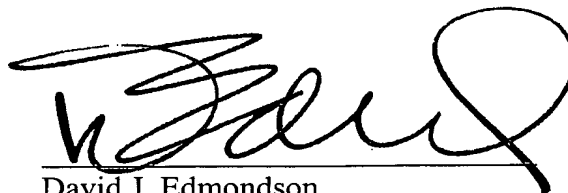
For the reasons set forth above, the Applicant respectfully submits that the application as amended is in condition for allowance. Notice of such allowance is respectfully solicited.

If there remain any issues that can be overcome through a further telephone communication, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Please charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment thereof, to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (114944-00106). If an extension of time is required to render this Amendment timely and either is not filed concurrently herewith or is insufficient to render this Amendment timely, the Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.136(a) for such an extension for as many months as are required to render this Amendment timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David J. Edmondson', written over a horizontal line.

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